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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE <u>AMENDMENT</u>

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office's Non-Final Office Action dated September 9, 2003, the Applicant has timely enclosed herein: 9 pages Office Action Response, and 1 page Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17 in the amount of \$ 210,00 to cover fee for extension for reply within second month. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

[X] DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 500323 AUTHORIZATION - All necessary fees relating to the attached submittal, if any, are intended to be included. However, the Office is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees relating to the submittal to deposit account 500323, registered to Vernon C. Maine P.L.L.C., dba Maine & Asmus, contact telephone no. 603-886-6100.